

Combined Upper Limit on Standard Model Higgs Boson Production

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This note describes a combination of searches for the Standard Model Higgs boson at CDF. The six major analyses combined are the $WH \to \ell \nu b \bar{b}$ channels, the $WH + ZH \to E_T + b \bar{b}$ channels, the $ZH \to \ell^+\ell^-b \bar{b}$ channels, the $H \to \tau^+\tau^-$ channel, the $WH + ZH \to jj + b \bar{b}$ channel, and the the $H \to W^+W^- \to \ell^+\nu_\ell\ell'^-\bar{\nu}_{\ell'}$ opposite-sign channels and the $WH \to WW^+W^-$ same-sign dilepton channel. The integrated luminosity for the channels varies between 2.0 fb⁻¹ and 4.8 fb⁻¹. The 95% CL upper limit on $R = \sigma_H/\sigma_{H,SM}$ is computed as a function of m_H from 100 to 200 GeV/ c^2 in steps of 5 GeV/ c^2 , assuming Standard Model decay branching fractions of the Higgs boson and that the ratios of the rates for the WH, ZH, $gg \to H$ and vector-boson fusion $qq \to Hqq$ production mechanisms are those predicted by the Standard Model. The results are in good agreement with those expected in the background-only hypothesis, and the observed (expected) limits on R are 3.12 (2.38) and 1.18 (1.19) at Higgs boson masses of 115 and 165 GeV/ c^2 , respectively.

I. INTRODUCTION

A combination of the different Higgs search analysis results provides many advantages. Since the decay branching ratios of the Standard Model (SM) Higgs boson are strong functions of its mass m_H , the different search channels contribute in a complementary way to the sensitivity at different m_H . Some analyses seek the Higgs boson in the same decay mode but with different production mechanisms, and hence require separate treatments of the signals and backgrounds. Since these analyses all seek the same particle, the best results are obtained by combining the searches together.

A previous combination [1] has been performed using the results of the six main searches for the Standard Model Higgs boson at CDF, the $WH \to \ell \nu b\bar{b}$ channels, the $WH + ZH \to E_T + b\bar{b}$ channels, the $ZH \to \ell^+\ell^-b\bar{b}$ channels, the $H \to \tau^+\tau^-$ channel, the $H \to W^+W^- \to \ell^+\nu_\ell\ell'^-\bar{\nu}_{\ell'}$ channels, and the $WH + ZH \to jjb\bar{b}$ channel. This note presents an update of the combination, using newly released results for the $H \to W^+W^- \to \ell^+\nu_\ell\ell'^-\bar{\nu}_{\ell'}$ oppositesign and same-sign dilepton channels, as well as introducing a new low- $m_{\ell\ell}$ channel. The $WH \to \ell\nu b\bar{b}$ channels are updated to 4.3 fb⁻¹, using a neural-network analysis technique. The $WH + ZH \to E_T + b\bar{b}$ channels are updated to include 3.6 fb⁻¹ of data, and the $ZH \to \ell^+\ell^-b\bar{b}$ channels are updated to include 4.1 fb⁻¹ of data. The $H \to \tau^+\tau^-$ and $WH + ZH \to jjb\bar{b}$ channels remain unchanged since [1]. The analyzed luminosities and references to the documentation are provided in Table I.

In order to combine the results of the six search analyses, assumptions must be made about the model to be tested. The model tested by the individual analyses' notes is a model in which Standard Model Higgs boson production proceeds, but is enhanced, in all production mechanisms, by a factor of R in the cross section. The decay branching fractions and the width of the invariant mass distribution of the Higgs boson are assumed to be those predicted by the Standard Model. Exotic models which change the Higgs boson production cross section may not follow this pattern. If a fourth generation of fermions exists, for example, it would enhance the $gg \to H$ production cross section by a factor of roughly 9 [2], but would not enhance the WH and ZH associated production mechanisms. A heavy neutrino in the fourth generation may take some of the Higgs boson decay branching ratio if it is light enough for the Higgs boson to decay into. The Standard Model production cross sections and decay branching ratios used in this combination are the same as those used in the previous combination [1]. In particular, the $gg \to H$ production cross section is calculated at NNLL in QCD and also includes two-loop electroweak effects [3, 4]. The $gg \to H$ production cross section depends strongly on the PDF set chosen and the accompanying value of α_s . These calculations use the MSTW 2008 NNLO PDF set [5]. These supersede the cross sections used in the update of Summer 2008 [6, 7]. The newer cross sections include a more thorough treatment of higher-order radiative corrections, particularly those involving b quark loops, as well as using the MSTW 2008 PDF set instead of the MRST 2002 PDF set [8]. The Higgs boson production cross sections used here are listed in Table II [4].

It has been pointed out [9] that the uncertainties in the $gg \to H$ production cross section have been underestimated in the past, particularly if an experimental analysis separates data based on the number of jets produced in association with the Higgs boson. We have updated the uncertainties in the $gg \to H$ production cross section to include the scale uncertainties separately for each jet category (0, 1, and 2+ jets), and to separate out also the PDF uncertainty in the production cross section as a separate source of uncertainty correlated across all $gg \to H$ signal contributions. These uncertainties are used in the $H \to W^+W^- \to \ell^+\nu_l\ell^{\ell-}\bar{\nu}_{\ell'}$ channels and also the $H \to \tau^+\tau^-$ channel.

The cross sections listed in [6] for the WH, ZH and VBF processes are on a coarser mass grid than desired, and so MCFM [10] has been used to compute the remaining required cross sections, and has been found to agree well with those in [6]. The decay branching ratios are computed with HDECAY [11].

Updates and improvements have been made to the channels and the combination since the previous combination [1], and are listed below.

- The $WH \to \ell \nu b\bar{b}$ channels now include six new channels that select events in the $\ell + E_T + 3$ jets sample [12]. The six channels are (Double SECVTX, SECVTX+JetProb, and Single SECVTX)×(tight leptons and extended muon coverage). The neural-network $WH \to \ell \nu b\bar{b}$ analysis prepared for LP09 also with 4.3 fb⁻¹ of luminosity [13] is retained without changes because it selects events with exactly two jets, and the new channels share no observed or expected events.
- The Markov Chain Monte Carlo integration method now constrains the bin-by-bin systematic uncertainties of each bin of each template histogram in each channel not to take on values that produce negative predictions. Previously, the bin-by-bin uncertainties had been added in quadrature for the predictions of all sources within a bin, but the non-negativity requirement adds a separate truncation for each template separately and not on the total. The previous combination [1] had limits and expected limits for $m_H \leq 150~{\rm GeV}/c^2$ that were more conservative than necessary for this reason.

- The Markov Chain Monte Carlo integration method is now used for all test masses now that it agrees with the simpler (but more CPU-intensive) scattershot integration method for all channels and the combination.
- The $ZH \to \ell^+\ell^-b\bar{b}$ channels [14] are provided as two-dimensional neural network discriminant distributions, with 20 bins in each direction, for a total of 400 bins per channel. Some of these bins have rather few Monte Carlo events in them to predict the contributions from some templates. While the Markov Chain Bayesian limit calculation used here and the scattershot-integration Bayesian limit calculation used by the analyzers are relatively insensitive to fluctuations in the predictions in bins with low s/b, the CL_s calculation used by D0 [15] is more sensitive. We have therefore changed the binning in the $ZH \to \ell^+\ell^-b\bar{b}$ channels to 10×10 bins. This choice, by collecting together bins of different s/b, reduces the sensitivity by a slight amount, but allows the CL_s calculation to be more robust.

The mass grid for the $H\to W^+W^-\to \ell^+\nu_\ell\ell'^-\bar\nu_{\ell'}$ channels is in 5 GeV/ c^2 steps between $m_H=140$ GeV/ c^2 and 180 GeV/ c^2 , and in 10 GeV/ c^2 steps outside that interval. As the combination requires a 5 GeV/ c^2 step everywhere, the results have been interpolated for the test mass points 100, 105, 115, 125, and 135 GeV/ c^2 by starting the signal, background and data histograms from the nearest supplied point with a test mass heavier than the one desired. The signal histograms (separately supplied for each of the four signal processes) are then scaled by the ratios of the production cross section and the decay branching ratio for $H\to W^+W^-$, and a separate two-loop EW correction is applied. This method is approximate because it does not interpolate the acceptance. Results at $m_H=185$ and 195 GeV/ c^2 are not quoted here since the $H\to W^+W^-\to \ell^+\nu_\ell\ell'^-\bar\nu_{\ell'}$ channels are the only ones to contribute, and these mass points were not included in the search. For the lower mass points, the $H\to b\bar b$ searches dominate the sensitivity. The same interpolation scheme is applied to the $H\to \tau^+\tau^-$ channel for the missing points at 125, 135, and 145 GeV/ c^2 .

II. COMBINATION METHOD

A Bayesian technique is used to compute the observed and expected upper limits on R. The prior is flat in the product of R and the total expected signal yield after all efficiencies and acceptances are taken into account. This prior was used in the previous combination [1].

A. Common Parameter Alignment

The individual channel analyses listed above require theoretical input in the form of kinematic distributions from Monte Carlo (usually from leading-order generators with parton shower models), and higher-order predictions of inclusive cross sections. The method of inclusion of systematic uncertainties, described below, takes advantage of shared dependence on common parameters, such as the luminosity, the $t\bar{t}$ and single-top cross sections, the diboson cross sections and the vector-boson-plus-heavy-flavor-jets K factor relative to the Monte Carlo prediction.

Some of the individual analyses use an older prediction of the $t\bar{t}$ cross section, 6.7 pb [20], assuming $m_t=175~{\rm GeV}/c^2$. The analyses also use single top theoretical predictions [21] evaluated at $m_t=175~{\rm GeV}/c^2$, $\sigma_s=0.88$ pb for the s-channel production, and $\sigma_t=1.96$ pb for t-channel production. In discussions with D0, we choose to shift $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$ to its value at $m_t=172.4\pm1.2~{\rm GeV}/c^2$ [22], and to use newer, higher-order calculations [23]. The channels' background templates are evaluated with $m_t=175~{\rm GeV}/c^2$, but since the kinematics are not expected to be strongly dependent on m_t , particularly in advanced discriminants designed to separate Higgs boson events from backgrounds, only the cross section has been adjusted. We use a value of $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}=7.794$ pb, with an uncertainty of 3.9% due to the uncertainty on m_t , 5.3% due to the factorization and renormalization scale, and 2.9% from PDF uncertainty. The single top cross sections [24] are, for the s-channel, 1.083 pb $\pm 3.2\%$ (m_t) $\pm 3.7\%$ (scale) $\pm 1.9\%$ (PDF), and for the t-channel, 2.295 pb $\pm 1.9\%$ (m_t) $\pm 1.3\%$ (scale) $\pm 5.2\%$ (PDF). The templates from each channel have been scaled by the appropriate ratios of cross sections to unify the predictions. The above theoretical uncertainties are applied in place of those supplied by the analyses. The scale and PDF uncertainties are taken to be uncorrelated between the three processes.

The W, Z+heavy-flavor K-factors are correlated between the $WH \to \ell\nu b\bar{b}$ and the $ZH \to \ell^+\ell^-b\bar{b}$ channels, but these are considered uncorrelated with the $WH + ZH \to E_T + bb$ channels, as the former use ALPGEN [25] to model W, Z+heavy-flavor events, and the latter use Pythia [26]. This decorrelation is conservative since the common handling of shared systematic uncertainties allows one channel's data to constrain another channel's background, and if the K-factors or other central values are not aligned, sharing a common uncertainty is an aggressive procedure.

The diboson processes WW, WZ and ZZ have been assigned a common theoretical uncertainty of 6%, shared across all channels, again to be consistent with D0.

The signal cross section uncertainties [6] have been unified across channels. We assign separate scale and PDF uncertainties for $gg \to H$ production, in a jet-bin-dependent way, correlating the uncertainties across jet bins [9]. We assume a 5% uncertainty on WH and ZH production (correlated between WH and ZH), and a 10% uncertainty on vector-boson fusion, both independent of m_H . The theoretical uncertainties on the separate Higgs boson production mechanisms are considered to be independent of each other and of all other uncertainties.

The luminosity uncertainties are split into a "Luminosity" category which refers to our uncertainty on the inelastic $p\bar{p}$ cross-section, and a "Luminosity Monitor" category, which refers to CDF-specific luminosity uncertainty. The "Luminosity" category, taken to be 3.8% and the "Luminosity Monitor" uncertainty is taken to be 4.4% for all templates of signal and background that are normalized to theoretical predictions times the luminosity measurement. Components that are already normalized to data observations in control samples do not have this uncertainty. This breakdown is necessary for proper correlation with D0's luminosity uncertainty.

B. Systematic Uncertainties

Systematic uncertainties are incorporated by marginalizing the likelihood function over variations in the uncertain parameters, called "nuisance parameters". Each nuisance parameter is considered to be independent of the others, but each one may have an effect on any of the signal or background predictions in any of the channels. Nuisance parameters included in this combination include the integrated luminosity, the jet energy scale, the b-tag efficiency scale factor, mistag uncertainties, the lepton trigger efficiencies, the lepton identification efficiencies and fake rates, Monte Carlo generator differences, uncertainties due to missing higher-order terms in the signal and background MC predictions, Monte Carlo modeling of ISR, FSR and PDFs, background production cross sections for $t\bar{t}$, diboson, and other backgrounds, mistag matrix uncertainties, the heavy-flavor fraction in W+jets, and the uncertainties in non-W contributions. Full listings of the nuisance parameters affecting these analyses are summarized in tables for each channel at the end of this note. The nuisance parameters affect the predicted rates of different signal and background processes, and some nuisance parameters have shape uncertainties associated with them as well.

Rate uncertainties on template histograms are incorporated by multiplying the dependences of each rate on each nuisance parameter.

$$s_{\text{varied}} = s_{\text{central}} \prod_{i=1}^{n_{\text{params}}} (1 + f_i \eta_i)$$
 (1)

where s_{varied} is the systematically varied normalization scale factor on a particular prediction histogram (signal or background) in a channel, s_{central} is the central-value normalization scale factor for that template, f_i is the relative uncertainty on s due to nuisance parameter i, and η_i is the random truncated-Gaussian-distributed nuisance parameter. Indices for the analysis channel and background or signal source template have been suppressed. The multiplicative technique used here means that the nuisance parameter truncations are all independent of each other.

Shape uncertainties are handled by varying the template shapes according to the nuisance parameters η_i . Systematically-varied shapes are supplied by the analysis teams as histograms which are generated with systematically varied parameters. These parameters may be the same ones as are responsible for the rate variations, and the variations are taken to be correlated. For example, a jet energy scale variation affects both the rate and the shape of most expected signal histograms. All analyses now use histograms of sophisticated multivariate discriminants in order to present their results, and the left-right template shifting interpolation is no longer used to incorporate shape uncertainties. Instead, the simpler method of linearly interpolating between the central value shapes and the systematically varied shapes in each bin according to the value of the nuisance parameter. Shape systematics are compounded by adding linearly the changes due to several shape variations in each bin. Shape systematics are extrapolated beyond the usual $\pm 1\sigma$ variations provided by the analysis teams. If a particular choice of shape variations results in a negative prediction for any signal or background component in any bin, then the prediction for that component is set to zero in that bin, but it does not prevent that variation from being applied to other bins. It is recommended that in the future analyzers investigate what multi-sigma variations in systematic parameters do to the predicted final discriminant shapes.

Another source of rate and shape variation is limited MC statistics in each bin of the template histograms. Each analysis supplies histograms along with their independent uncertainties in R00T histogram objects. These uncertainties do not include the correlated rate and shape uncertainties described above, but are meant to cover the effects of MC statistics (or data statistics, if data control regions are used to predict the composition of the selected events in the signal region).

C. Numerical Integration

The space spanned by the nuisance parameters has a very large dimension – there are 60 uncertain parameters in all at $m_H = 115$ GeV, and 30 parameters at $m_H = 165$ GeV. The posterior calculation integrates over all possible values of the nuisance parameters, weighted by their priors. In the combination of Summer 2008 [27], the the nuisance parameter marginalization is done by random Monte Carlo integration. Points within the nuisance parameter space are selected randomly using truncated Gaussian distributions with unit width (before truncation). The domain of each nuisance parameter is truncated in order to keep the prediction of the rate of each template non-negative; no other truncation is applied. Since analyzers supply $\pm 1\sigma$ uncertainties on rates and shapes, the impacts of multi-sigma variations are extrapolations of the one sigma variations.

The number of nuisance parameters increases as more search channels are added, and the gap between the prior information about a nuisance parameter and what can be determined from the data about a particular nuisance parameter has been increasing as well, for certain key nuisance parameters. For example, the W, Z+Heavy Flavor rate has an uncertainty of $\sim 40\%$, mainly by fitting heavy-flavor fractions to control samples in the data that do not overlap with the W, Z+2-jet samples used for the signal extraction. But large amounts of data in the W, Z+2-jet samples have been accumulated, and these constrain the W, Z+Heavy Flavor rate much more precisely than the priors – by approximately a factor of five. This has a large effect on the random-sampling integration method because most samplings of the W, Z+Heavy Flavor rate parameter produce predictions that are at large variance with the data observations, and result in very small values of the likelihood, and contribute very little to the integral. One or two such parameters do not present a computational challenge, but the presence of many such parameters has the effect that nearly all samples of the systematic errors contribute very little, and one or two samples in a large run will contribute nearly all of the weight of the integral.

A new approach has been taken to perform the integrals over the nuisance parameters, that of Markov Chain Monte Carlo integration. The Metropolis-Hastings algorithm [28] is used. This algorithm has found broad use in high-dimensional integrals elsewhere, particularly in the application of Bayesian statistics. All integrals start at the point in nuisance parameter space at which all parameters are zero (corresponding to the central values of all predictions). A proposal function determines where to step next in nuisance parameter space, and the Markov Chain moves to the proposed point if it has a higher value of the likelihood or if a random number between 0 and 1 is less than the ratio of the likelihood at the new point divided by the likelihood at the old point. This algorithm focuses on parts of parameter space for which the integrand is largest, thus saving computational resources and producing more reliable results in shorter times.

All limits are quoted at the 95% credibility level. Expected limits are computed using a sample (1000) of backgroundonly pseudoexperiments for each mass point of each analysis or combination. On each pseudoexperiment, new values of the nuisance parameters are drawn from the Gaussian distributions specified in the systematic uncertainty tables, and Poisson random pseudodata are drawn from the systematically smeared predictions. In order to reduce the amount of CPU used in the combination and to get more reliable $\pm 2\sigma$ expected limit estimations, the distribution of limits in the pseudoexperiments is fit to the density function d(R):

$$d(R) = p_1(R - p_2)^{p_3} e^{-p_4 R}, (2)$$

where p_1 , p_2 , p_3 , and p_4 are freely-floating fit parameters. This function is then integrated to obtain the desired quantiles, which correspond to 2.275% of limits being below the -2σ limit expectation in a large ensemble of background-only outcomes, 16% being below the -1σ limit expectation, 50% being below the median expectation, 84% being below the $+1\sigma$ expectation, and 97.725% being below the $+2\sigma$ expectation.

III. INDIVIDUAL CHANNEL LIMITS

In order to validate the input histogram preparation and the combination method, the observed and expected limits have been recomputed for each of the contributing channels before the final combination is performed. The rates and systematic uncertainties of each of the signal contributions and the backgrounds are compared with the available documentation. For the individual channel limits, the same Markov Chain integration technique is performed as for the combination, and the numerical precision due to Monte Carlo statistics in the limit calculation and the expected limit calculation is expected to be below 2%. Tables at the end of this note compare the observed and expected limits blessed by the analysis teams and the reproductions computed here. In most cases, the agreement is exquisite, since the same programs are used to compute the individual limits as is used to combine many channels together. Some channels use different software packages however and the agreement is within 10%.

IV. COMBINATION RESULTS

The results of the combination are given in Table XVI, and in Figure 1. Figure 2 compares the observed and expected limits obtained in combination with those of the individual analyses. The SM Higgs mass limit from LEP [29] is included in the plots. The same procedure for computing the individual channel limits is applied, but a joint likelihood is formed for all channels together, and variations of shared nuisance parameters, which affect both rates and shapes, are all performed with 100% correlations between parameters with the same name, and 0% correlation between parameters with different names.

The posterior of the combined results is shown in Figures 3 and 4 for each value of m_H between 100 and 200 GeV/ c^2 in 5 GeV/ c^2 steps. The distributions of the limits expected in background-only pseudoexperiments are shown in Figures 5 and 6.

To visualize the combined results better, the data are collected from all channels and are classified by the signal-to-background ratio in each bin. Bins of nearby s/b are collected together, and plotted vs $\log_{10}(s/b)$ in Figures 7 for $m_H = 115$ and 160 GeV/ c^2 . The data are then integrated from the high s/b side towards the lower, and the data counts are shown in Figure 7 for the same two Higgs boson masses. These integrals answer the question of how many events were observed, compared with the signal and background predictions. Because many bins of different s/b are used to make the final limit, there is an arbitrary choice of where to put a cut to answer that question. Figure 7 shows that answer for several high-s/b cuts. Drawbacks of this representation are that systematic uncertainties are not shown.

V. PROJECTIONS

As data are accumulated, the sensitivity of the searches is expected to increase. A naive extrapolation of the sensitivity is to scale the median expected limit with $1/\sqrt{\int L dt}$. This approximation makes several assumptions: 1) that the background levels in the high s/b bins is sufficiently large that the distribution of data events is expected to be in the Gaussian regime of the Poisson distribution, 2) that the systematic uncertainties scale with $1/\sqrt{\int L dt}$ for each channel, 3) that the analysis techniques remain constant, 4) that the detector performance remains constant and also does not degrade with increased instantaneous luminosity, and 5) that the tested models do not change. The experience on CDF is that the detector performance remains nearly constant, with only a mild drop due to the increased instantaneous luminosity. Larger control samples allow better constraints on systematic uncertainties, and also can be used to test extrapolations into signal regions by refining the definitions of the control samples. Analysis improvements such as increasing acceptance by exploiting previously unused trigger paths and event topologies, as well as improved separation of signal from background through the use of multivariate techniques and combinations of multivariate techniques have brought about increases in sensitivity that surpass what is expected from the $1/\sqrt{\int L dt}$ dependence alone. The comparison of the achieved expected limits and the $1/\sqrt{\int L dt}$ extrapolations is shown in Figure 8 for $m_H = 115$ and 160 GeV/ c^2 .

In Figure 8, the integrated luminosity at which to place a point is a simple weighted average of the contributing analyses' integrated luminosities. the $WH \to \ell \nu b\bar{b}$ and $WH + ZH \to E_T^+ b\bar{b}$ are given twice the weight of the $ZH \to \ell^+\ell^-b\bar{b}$ channel and four times the weight of the $H \to \tau^+\tau^-$ and $WH + ZH \to jjb\bar{b}$ channels, for the $m_H = 115$ GeV point. $m_H = 160$ GeV/ c^2 points, only the $H \to W^+W^- \to \ell^+\nu_l\ell'^-\bar{\nu}_{\ell'}$ channels' luminosity (4.8 fb⁻¹) is used. In the $m_H = 160$ GeV/ c^2 plot, the limits from Summer 2004 and Summer 2005 have been scaled to use the NNLO $gg \to H$ cross section which is approximately 50% larger than the NLO cross section, which was used in the original analyses. Only the ICHEP 2008 point includes the scaling using the new 2-loop electroweak diagrams, however.

The projection figures include estimations of how much the sensitivity could be improved over time as work is done on the analyses. The estimations were made in late 2007, based on the Summer 2007 estimations of sensitivity. A factor of 1.5 in the expected limit was estimated to be attainable with improvements known to exist but not yet in the analyses, and a further factor of 1.5 was estimated from ideas that had yet to be tried. Both of these curves are shown, as the top and bottom edges of light orange bands in the figures. For both the low-mass and high-mass searches, the first factor of 1.5 has already been achieved.

Figure 9 shows the same projections, but the expected limits have all been divided by $\sqrt{2}$ to simulate the effect of combining with D0, assuming performance equal to CDF's. Figure 10 shows the chances of observing a 2σ excess or 3σ evidence as a function of m_H , assuming a Higgs boson is present and the production cross section and decay parameters are as predicted by the SM. CDF and D0 are assumed to contribute equally, and the performance level

is shown both for the currently achieved performance level and also for an additional factor of 1.5. Two luminosity scenarios are considered, 5 fb⁻¹ and 10 fb⁻¹ of analyzed luminosity per experiment. Only the sensitivity estimated by the signal and background templates and their systematic uncertainties is shown in these plots, and no account is taken of the data already observed. In particular, the current Tevatron Higgs combination corresponding to the present CDF combination exludes the region $163 < m_H < 166 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ [30], and so the chances of observing an excess or evidence are lessened when considering the data. Furthermore, even if a SM Higgs boson is nonetheless assumed to exist in that range, it will take more data and additional luck in order to accumulate enough candidates to amass the evidence after the unlucky downward fluctuation.

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TABLE I: Analyzed integrated luminosities and references for the four main CDF SM Higgs search channels combined in this note

Channel	$\int \mathcal{L}dt \ (\mathrm{fb}^{-1})$	Reference
$WH \rightarrow \ell \nu b \bar{b}$ (triggered leptons+isotrk) (2-Jets)	4.3	[13]
$WH \rightarrow \ell \nu b\bar{b}$ (triggered leptons+extened muons) (3-Jets)	4.3	[12]
$ZH ightarrow u ar{ u} b ar{b}$	3.6	[16]
$ZH o \ell^+ \ell^- b ar b$	4.1	[14]
$H o au^+ au^-$	2.0	[17]
$WH + ZH ightarrow jjbar{b}$	2.0	[18]
$H \to W^+W^- \to \ell^+\nu_l\ell'^-\bar{\nu}_{\ell'}$	4.8	[19]

TABLE II: The (N)NLO production cross sections and decay branching fractions for the SM Higgs boson assumed for the combination

m_H	$\sigma_{gg \to H}$	σ_{WH}	σ_{ZH}	σ_{VBF}	$B(H \to b\bar{b})$	$B(H \to \tau^+ \tau^-)$	$B(H \to W^+W^-)$
(GeV/c^2)	(fb)	(fb)	(fb)	(fb)	(%)	(%)	(%)
100	1861	286.1	166.7	99.5	81.21	7.924	1.009
105	1618	244.6	144.0	93.3	79.57	7.838	2.216
110	1413	209.2	124.3	87.1	77.02	7.656	4.411
115	1240	178.8	107.4	79.07	73.22	7.340	7.974
120	1093	152.9	92.7	71.65	67.89	6.861	13.20
125	967	132.4	81.1	67.37	60.97	6.210	20.18
130	858	114.7	70.9	62.5	52.71	5.408	28.69
135	764	99.3	62.0	57.65	43.62	4.507	38.28
140	682	86.0	54.2	52.59	34.36	3.574	48.33
145	611	75.3	48.0	49.15	25.56	2.676	58.33
150	548	66.0	42.5	45.67	17.57	1.851	68.17
155	492	57.8	37.6	42.19	10.49	1.112	78.23
160	439	50.7	33.3	38.59	4.00	0.426	90.11
165	389	44.4	29.5	36.09	1.265	0.136	96.10
170	349	38.9	26.1	33.58	0.846	0.091	96.53
175	314	34.6	23.3	31.11	0.663	0.072	95.94
180	283	30.7	20.8	28.57	0.541	0.059	93.45
190	231	24.3	16.6	24.88	0.342	0.038	77.61
200	192	19.3	13.5	21.19	0.260	0.029	73.47

TABLE III: Systematic uncertainties on the signal and background contributions for the $WH \to \ell\nu b\bar{b}$ double-tag channels (SECVTX+SECVTX and SECVTX+JP), the SECVTX+ROMA, and the single-SECVTX chanels. Systematic uncertainties are listed by name, see the original references for a detailed explanation of their meaning and on how they are derived. Systematic uncertainties for WH shown in this table are obtained for $m_H = 115~{\rm GeV}/c^2$. Uncertainties are relative, in percent and are symmetric unless otherwise indicated.

SECVTX+SECVTX and SECVTX+JP double-tagged $WH \to \ell \nu b \bar{b}$ channels

Contribution	$W{+}\mathrm{HF}$	Mistags	Top	Diboson	$\operatorname{Non-}W$	WH
Luminosity $(\sigma_{\text{inel}}(p\bar{p}))$	0	0	3.8	3.8	0	3.8
Luminosity Monitor	0	0	4.4	4.4	0	4.4
Lepton ID	0	0	2	2	0	2
Jet Energy Scale	0	0	0	0	0	2
Mistag Rate	0	35	0	0	0	0
B-Tag Efficiency	0	0	8.6	8.6	0	8.6
$t\bar{t}$ Cross Section	0	0	10	0	0	0
Diboson Rate	0	0	0	11.5	0	0
Signal Cross Section	0	0	0	0	0	5
HF Fraction in W+jets	45	0	0	0	0	0
ISR+FSR+PDF	0	0	0	0	0	5
QCD Rate	0	0	0	0	40	0

SECVTX+ROMA $WH \rightarrow \ell \nu b \bar{b}$ channels

Contribution	$W{+}\mathrm{HF}$	Mistags	Тор	Diboson	$\mathrm{Non}\text{-}W$	WH
Luminosity $(\sigma_{\text{inel}}(p\bar{p}))$	0	0	3.8	3.8	0	3.8
Luminosity Monitor	0	0	4.4	4.4	0	4.4
Lepton ID	0	0	2	2	0	2
Jet Energy Scale	0	0	0	0	0	2.2
Mistag Rate	0	36	0	0	0	0
B-Tag Efficiency	0	0	13.6	13.6	0	13.6
$t\bar{t}$ Cross Section	0	0	10	0	0	0
Diboson Rate	0	0	0	11.5	0	0
Signal Cross Section	0	0	0	0	0	5
HF Fraction in W+jets	45	0	0	0	0	0
ISR+FSR+PDF	0	0	0	0	0	7.7
QCD Rate	0	0	0	0	40	0

Single-SECVTX $WH \rightarrow \ell \nu b \bar{b}$ channels

Contribution	$W{+}\mathrm{HF}$	Mistags	Top	Diboson	$\operatorname{Non-}W$	WH
Luminosity $(\sigma_{\text{inel}}(p\bar{p}))$	0	0	3.8	3.8	0	3.8
Luminosity Monitor	0	0	4.4	4.4	0	4.4
Lepton ID	0	0	2	2	0	2
Jet Energy Scale	0	0	0	0	0	2
Mistag Rate	0	35	0	0	0	0
B-Tag Efficiency	0	0	4.3	4.3	0	4.3
$t\bar{t}$ Cross Section	0	0	10	0	0	0
Diboson Rate	0	0	0	11.5	0	0
Signal Cross Section	0	0	0	0	0	5
HF Fraction in W+jets	42	0	0	0	0	0
ISR+FSR+PDF	0	0	0	0	0	3.0
QCD Rate	0	0	0	0	40	0

TABLE IV: Observed and expected limits for the twelve total $WH \to \ell \nu b \bar{b}$ 2-jet neural network channels: (double tag + SECVTX+JP + SECVTX+ROMA, + single SECVTX)×(tight leptons+ forward electrons + isotrk). The observed and median expected limits in the background-only hypothesis as calculated with the Markov Chain method are listed. Also listed are the limits from [13]. The limits are all given in units of $R = \sigma/\sigma_{SM}$, assuming SM branching fractions. Also listed in the last two columns are the observed and expected limits when combining the 2-jet neural network channels with the six additional 3-jet matrix element channels.

m_H	Observed	median	CDF 9868	CDF 9868	2J+3J	2J+3J
(GeV/c^2)	limit/SM	expected	observed	expected	observed	expected
100	4.20	2.97	3.98	2.78	3.60	2.68
105	4.60	3.38	4.47	3.12	3.69	3.02
110	5.02	3.79	5.01	3.48	4.24	3.28
115	5.18	4.28	5.26	3.98	4.31	3.76
120	4.65	5.06	4.88	4.62	4.24	4.58
125	6.66	6.54	7.01	5.99	5.79	5.78
130	7.08	7.75	7.53	7.36	6.84	7.34
135	11.24	10.9	11.8	10.1	11.2	10.1
140	14.69	15.1	15.7	14.1	14.5	13.8
145	23.78	22.9	25.0	21.8	23.0	20.8
150	35.59	36.5	37.6	33.7	33.7	33.7

TABLE V: Systematic uncertainties for the $WH,ZH\to E_T b\bar{b}$ SECVTX+SECVTX, SECVTX+JP, single-SECVTX channels. Systematic uncertainties are listed by name, see [16] for a detailed explanation of their meaning and on how they are derived. Systematic uncertainties for ZH and WH shown in this table are obtained for $m_H=120~{\rm GeV}/c^2$. Uncertainties are relative, in percent and are symmetric unless otherwise indicated.

 $WH, ZH \to E_T b\bar{b}$ SECVTX+SECVTX channel

	ZH	WH	Multijet	Top Pair	S. Top	Di-boson	W + h.f.	Z + h.f.
Correlated uncertainties								
Luminosity	3.8	3.8		3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8
Lumi Monitor	4.4	4.4		4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4
Tagging SF	8.6	8.6		8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6
Trigger Eff. (shape)	1.0	1.2	1.1	0.7	1.1	1.6	1.7	1.3
Lepton Veto	2.0	2.0		2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
PDF Acceptance	2.0	2.0		2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
JES (shape)	$^{+3.0}_{-3.0}$	$^{+3.5}_{-4.7}$	$-4.0 \\ +3.8$	$^{+1.1}_{-1.1}$	$^{+2.4}_{-4.7}$	$^{+8.2}_{-6.1}$	$^{+7.3}_{-11.8}$	$^{+6.5}_{-8.3}$
ISR	+	1.4	+3.6	-1.1	-4.7	-0.1	-11.0	-6.5
FSR		3.7 1.8 1.4						
Uncorrelated uncertainties								
Cross-Section	5	5		10	10	11.5	40	40
Multijet Norm. (shape)			17					

$WH,ZH\to E\!\!\!\!/_T b\bar{b}$ SECVTX+JP channel

	ZH	WH	Multijet	Top Pair	S. Top	Di-boson	W + h.f.	Z + h.f.
Correlated uncertainties								
Luminosity	3.8	3.8		3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8
Lumi Monitor	4.4	4.4		4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4
Tagging SF	9.1	9.1		9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1	9.1
Trigger Eff. (shape)	1.2	1.3	1.1	0.7	1.2	1.2	1.8	1.3
Lepton Veto	2.0	2.0		2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
PDF Acceptance	2.0	2.0		2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
JES (shape)	$+3.7 \\ -3.7$	$^{+4.0}_{-4.0}$	$-5.4 \\ +5.2$	$^{+1.1}_{-0.7}$	$^{+4.2}_{-4.2}$	$^{+7.0}_{-7.0}$	$^{+1.3}_{-7.6}$	$^{+6.2}_{-7.1}$
ISR	+	1.4	+3.2	-0.7	-4.2	-7.0	-7.0	-7.1
FSR		2.9 5.3 2.5						
Uncorrelated uncertainties								
Cross-Section	5.0	5.0		10	10	11.5	40	40
Multijet Norm. (shape)			11					

$WH,ZH\to E_T b\bar{b}$ Single-SECVTX channel

	ZH	WH	Multijet	Top Pair	S. Top	Di-boson	W + h.f.	Z + h.f.
Correlated uncertainties								
Luminosity	3.8	3.8		3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8
Lumi Monitor	4.4	4.4		4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4
Tagging SF	4.3	4.3		4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3
Trigger Eff. (shape)	0.9	1.1	1.1	0.7	1.1	1.3	2.0	1.4
Lepton Veto	2.0	2.0		2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
PDF Acceptance	2.0	2.0		2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
JES (shape)	$+3.8 \\ -3.8$	$^{+3.8}_{-3.8}$	$-5.2 \\ +5.6$	$^{+0.7}_{-0.8}$	$^{+4.6}_{-4.6}$	$^{+7.0}_{-5.6}$	$^{+12.4}_{-12.7}$	$^{+8.3}_{-8.1}$
ISR	_	1.0	+5.0	-0.8	-4.0	-3.0	-12.7	-6.1
FSR		$\begin{array}{c} 1.5 \\ 2.0 \\ 0.1 \end{array}$						
Uncorrelated uncertainties		-						
Cross-Section	5.0	5.0		10	10	11.5	40	40
Multijet Norm. (shape)			3.9					

m_H	Observed	median	CDF 9891	CDF 9891
(GeV/c^2)	limit/SM	expected	observed	expected
100	5.18	3.64	5.5	3.6
105	5.02	3.50	5.0	3.6
110	5.14	3.66	5.0	3.7
115	6.48	4.08	6.1	4.2
120	8.49	5.46	9.0	5.4
125	11.60	6.42	11.5	6.3
130	14.08	7.74	13.6	7.8
135	16.85	10.82	14.5	10.5
140	22.46	14.68	21.6	14.3
145	31.85	22.36	32.1	21.6
150	48.01	34.00	49.5	33.3

Single SECVTX Tag High S/B (ST High) $ZH \rightarrow \ell\ell b\bar{b}$ Analysis

Contribution	Fakes	Top	WZ	ZZ	$Z + b\bar{b}$	$Z + c\bar{c}$	Z+mistag	ZH
Luminosity $(\sigma_{\text{inel}}(p\bar{p}))$	0	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	0	3.8
Luminosity Monitor	0	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	0	4.4
Lepton ID	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1
Lepton Energy Scale	0	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	0	1.5
ZH Cross Section	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Fake Leptons	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jet Energy Scale (shape dep.)	0	$^{+1.9}_{-2.2}$	$+3.1 \\ -4.6$	$+3.5 \\ -5.1$	+10.6 -9.6	$+9.5 \\ -9.4$	0	$^{+2.6}_{-2.2}$
Mistag Rate (shape dep.)	0	0	0	0	0	0	$^{+14.7}_{-14.8}$	0
B-Tag Efficiency	0	4	4	4	4	4	0	4
$t\bar{t}$ Cross Section	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
Diboson Cross Section	0	0	11.5	11.5	0	0	0	0
$\sigma(p\bar{p} \to Z + HF)$	0	0	0	0	40	40	0	0
ISR (shape dep.)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	$-3.2 \\ -4.2$
FSR (shape dep.)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-0.01 -1.3

Single SECVTX Tag Low S/B (ST Low) $ZH \rightarrow \ell\ell b\bar{b}$ Analysis

Contribution	Fakes	Top	WZ	ZZ	$Z + b\bar{b}$	$Z + c\bar{c}$	Z+mistag	ZH
Luminosity $(\sigma_{\text{inel}}(p\bar{p}))$	0	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	0	3.8
Luminosity Monitor	0	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	0	4.4
Lepton ID	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1
Lepton Energy Scale	0	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	0	1.5
ZH Cross Section	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Fake Leptons	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jet Energy Scale (shape dep.)	0	$^{+1.8}_{-1.6}$	$+7.0 \\ -4.5$	$^{+2.7}_{-6.3}$	$^{+11.7}_{-10.2}$	$^{+10.0}_{-10.2}$	0	$+7.4 \\ +1.6$
Mistag Rate (shape dep.)	0	0	0	0	0	0	$^{+14.8}_{-14.9}$	0
B-Tag Efficiency	0	4	4	4	4	4	0	4
$t\bar{t}$ Cross Section	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
Diboson Cross Section	0	0	11.5	11.5	0	0	0	0
$\sigma(p\bar{p} \to Z + HF)$	0	0	0	0	40	40	0	0
ISR (shape dep.)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	$^{+12.5}_{+3.3}$
FSR (shape dep.)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	$^{+9.0}_{+6.3}$

Double SECVTX Tag High S/B (TDT High) $ZH \to \ell\ell b\bar{b}$ Analysis

Contribution	Fakes	Top	WZ	ZZ	$Z + b\bar{b}$	$Z + c\bar{c}$	Z+mistag	ZH
Luminosity $(\sigma_{\text{inel}}(p\bar{p}))$	0	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	0	3.8
Luminosity Monitor	0	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	0	4.4
Lepton ID	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1
Lepton Energy Scale	0	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	0	1.5
ZH Cross Section	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Fake Leptons	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jet Energy Scale (shape dep.)	0	$^{+1.6}_{-1.1}$	$^{+0.0}_{-0.0}$	$+1.8 \\ -2.7$	$+5.9 \\ -6.8$	$^{+6.0}_{-5.9}$	0	$^{+2.0}_{+0.01}$
Mistag Rate (shape dep.)	0	0	0	0	0	0	$^{+30.7}_{-26.6}$	0
B-Tag Efficiency	0	8	8	8	8	8	0	8
$t\bar{t}$ Cross Section	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
Diboson Cross Section	0	0	11.5	11.5	0	0	0	0
$\sigma(p\bar{p} \to Z + HF)$	0	0	0	0	40	40	0	0
ISR (shape dep.)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	$^{-2.0}_{\substack{+1.2 \ -0.01}}$
FSR (shape dep.)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	$-0.01 \\ +0.01$

Double SECVTX Tag Low S/B (TDT Low) $~ZH \to \ell\ell b\bar{b}$ Analysis

Contribution	Fakes	Top	WZ	ZZ	$Z + b\bar{b}$	$Z + c\bar{c}$	Z+mistag	ZH
Luminosity $(\sigma_{\text{inel}}(p\bar{p}))$	0	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	0	3.8
Luminosity Monitor	0	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	0	4.4
Lepton ID	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1
Lepton Energy Scale	0	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	0	1.5
ZH Cross Section	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Fake Leptons	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jet Energy Scale (shape dep.)	0	$^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$	$^{+0.0}_{-0.0}$	$^{+0.0}_{-3.2}$	$^{+5.8}_{-6.3}$	$^{+7.1}_{-5.8}$	0	$^{+2.3}_{+0.0}$
Mistag Rate (shape dep.)	0	0	0	0	0	0	$^{+31.5}_{-27.2}$	0
B-Tag Efficiency	0	8	8	8	8	8	0	8
$t\bar{t}$ Cross Section	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
Diboson Cross Section	0	0	11.5	11.5	0	0	0	0
$\sigma(p\bar{p} \to Z + HF)$	0	0	0	0	40	40	0	0
ISR (shape dep.)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	$-0.01 \\ +0.0$
FSR (shape dep.)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	$-4.3 \\ -0.01$

SECVTX + JP Tag High S/B (LDT High) $ZH \to \ell\ell b\bar{b}$ Analysis

Contribution	Fakes	Top	WZ	ZZ	$Z + b\bar{b}$	$Z + c\bar{c}$	Z+mistag	ZH
Luminosity $(\sigma_{\text{inel}}(p\bar{p}))$	0	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	0	3.8
Luminosity Monitor	0	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	0	4.4
Lepton ID	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1
Lepton Energy Scale	0	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	0	1.5
ZH Cross Section	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Fake Leptons	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jet Energy Scale (shape dep.)	0	$^{+1.3}_{-0.01}$	$+3.1 \\ -4.3$	$+3.1 \\ -3.0$	$+7.5 \\ -7.3$	$^{+6.2}_{-6.0}$	0	$^{+1.9}_{+0.0}$
Mistag Rate (shape dep.)	0	0	0	0	0	0	$^{+33.6}_{-26.4}$	0
B-Tag Efficiency	0	11	11	11	11	11	0	11
$t\bar{t}$ Cross Section	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
Diboson Cross Section	0	0	11.5	11.5	0	0	0	0
$\sigma(p\bar{p} \to Z + HF)$	0	0	0	0	40	40	0	0
ISR (shape dep.)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	$^{+3.0}_{+0.0}$
FSR (shape dep.)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	$^{+1.4}_{-0.0}$

SECVTX + JP Tag Low S/B (LDT Low) $ZH \to \ell\ell b\bar{b}$ Analysis

Contribution	Fakes	Top	WZ	ZZ	$Z + b\overline{b}$	$Z + c\bar{c}$	Z+mistag	ZH
Luminosity $(\sigma_{\text{inel}}(p\bar{p}))$	0	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	0	3.8
Luminosity Monitor	0	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	0	4.4
Lepton ID	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1
Lepton Energy Scale	0	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	0	1.5
ZH Cross Section	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Fake Leptons	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jet Energy Scale (shape dep.)	0	$^{+1.7}_{-0.0}$	$-0.0 \\ -5.9$	$+2.9 \\ -0.01$	+8.2 -8.8	$+8.1 \\ -8.8$	0	$^{+2.7}_{-0.0}$
Mistag Rate (shape dep.)	0	0	0	0	0	0	$^{+34.5}_{-27.8}$	0
B-Tag Efficiency	0	11	11	11	11	11	0	11
$t\bar{t}$ Cross Section	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
Diboson Cross Section	0	0	11.5	11.5	0	0	0	0
$\sigma(p\bar{p} \to Z + HF)$	0	0	0	0	40	40	0	0
ISR (shape dep.)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	$^{+4.1}_{+7.8}$
FSR (shape dep.)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	$^{+7.8}_{+23.5}$ $_{+9.9}$

TABLE VII: Observed and expected limits for the $ZH \to \ell^+\ell^-b\bar{b}$ channels, with the single-tag and double-tag analyses combined. The observed and median expected limits are listed, as computed with the Markov Chain method. Also listed are the limits from [14]. The limits are all given in units of $R = \sigma/\sigma_{SM}$, assuming SM branching fractions. The binning used in the Markov Chain method is 10×10 bins for each channel instead of the 20×20 bins used in CDF 9889, in order to facilitate Tevatron combination. The sensitivities are slightly less with the coarser binning, and observed limits depend on how the candidates fall in the new bins. For a comparison of CDF 9889's limits with a recalculation with the same binning, see [1].

m_H	Observed	median	CDF 9889	CDF 9889
(GeV/c^2)	limit/SM	expected	observed	expected
100	4.80	7.12	4.53	6.7
105	5.09	6.84	4.6	6.38
110	5.52	6.96	5.25	6.34
115	5.98	7.10	5.91	6.8
120	7.29	8.78	7.89	8.49
125	8.38	10.84	8.14	10.21
130	10.70	13.76	10.3	12.79
135	14.48	20.50	14.41	18.74
140	21.01	30.78	19.27	28.49
145	29.34	49.12	24.22	45.34
150	47.02	86.30	42.93	73.72

TABLE VIII: Systematic uncertainties on the contributions for the $H \to \tau^+ \tau^-$ channel. Systematic uncertainties are listed by name, see the original references for a detailed explanation of their meaning and on how they are derived. Uncertainties with provided shape systematics are labeled with "s". Systematic uncertainties for H shown in this table are obtained for $m_H = 115$ GeV/ c^2 . Uncertainties are relative, in percent and are symmetric unless otherwise indicated. The systematic uncertainty called "Normalization" includes effects of the inelastic $p\bar{p}$ cross section, the luminosity monitor acceptance, and the lepton trigger acceptance. It is considered to be entirely correlated with the luminosity uncertainty.

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Contribution	$Z/\gamma^* \to \tau\tau$	$Z/\gamma^* \to \ell\ell$	$t\bar{t}$	diboson	$jet \to \tau$	W+jet	WH	ZH	VBF	$gg \to H$
Luminosity	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	-	-	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8
Luminosity Monitor	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	-	-	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4
e, μ Trigger	1	1	1	1	-	-	1	1	1	1
τ Trigger	3	3	3	3	-	-	3	3	3	3
e, μ, τ ID	3	3	3	3	-	-	3	3	3	3
PDF Uncertainty	1	1	1	1	-	-	1	1	1	1
ISR/FSR	-	-	-	-	-	-	2/0	1/1	3/1	12/1
JES (shape)	16	13	2	10	-	-	3	3	4	14
Cross Section or Norm.	2	2	10	11.5	-	15	5	5	10	67.5
MC model	20	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

TABLE IX: Observed and expected limits for the $H \to \tau^+\tau^-$ channel. The observed and median expected limits calculated with the Markov Chain method are listed. Also listed are the limits from [17]. The limits are all given in units of $R = \sigma/\sigma_{SM}$, assuming SM branching fractions. Both the limits in CDF 9179 and the reproductions here were computed with the older $\pm 10\%$ theory uncertainty on the $gg \to H+2$ jets cross section.

m_H	Observed	median	CDF 9179	CDF 9179
(GeV/c^2)	limit/SM	expected	observed	expected
110	31.23	27.0	32.5	25.8
115	31.96	26.1	30.5	24.8
120	31.85	26.1	30.0	24.2
125	31.44	27.4		
130	40.06	35.1	39.5	32.3
135	48.93	39.9		
140	69.62	59.3	67.5	52.8
145	103.3	82.5		
150	168.2	133.6	159.0	111.7

TABLE X: Systematic uncertainties summary for CDF's $WH + ZH \rightarrow jjbb$ channel [18]. Systematic uncertainties are listed by name, see the original references for a detailed explanation of their meaning and on how they are derived. Uncertainties with provided shape systematics are labeled with "s". Systematic uncertainties for H shown in this table are obtained for $m_H = 115$ GeV/ c^2 . Uncertainties are relative, in percent and are symmetric unless otherwise indicated. The cross section uncertainties are uncorrelated with each other (except for single top and $t\bar{t}$, which are treated as correlated). The QCD uncertainty is also uncorrelated with other channels' QCD rate uncertainties.

CDF: $WH + ZH \rightarrow jjbb$ Analysis

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	QCD	tt	Wbb	WZ	Single Top	Z+jets	WH	ZH	
Interpolation	0s	_	_	_	-	_	_	_	
MC Modeling	0s	_	_	_	=	_	18s	16s	
Cross Section	10	10	30	6	10	30	5	5	

TABLE XI: Observed and expected limits for the $WH + ZH \rightarrow jjb\bar{b}$ channel. The observed and median expected limits calculated with the Markov Chain method are listed. Also listed are the limits from [18]. The limits are all given in units of $R = \sigma/\sigma_{SM}$, assuming SM branching fractions.

m_H	Observed	median	CDF 9366	CDF 9366
(GeV/c^2)	limit/SM	expected	observed	expected
100	28.3	27.5	29.7	28.7
105	38.2	32.9	37.6	33.7
110	34.4	35.9	38.7	36.6
115	35.8	40.2	37.5	36.8
120	35.8	44.7	38.2	39.6
125	40.2	56.6	43.4	46.8
130	44.0	69.7	48.0	53.6
135	57.3	85.9	73.6	80.2
140	74.3	124	107	115
145	115	189	163	176
150	177	307	261	287

TABLE XII: Systematic uncertainties on the contributions for the $H \to W^+W^- \to \ell^\pm \ell'^\mp$ channels with zero, one, and two or more associated jets. These channels are sensitive to gluon fusion production (all channels) and WH,ZH and VBF production (channels with one or more associated jets). Systematic uncertainties are listed by name. See [19] for details of how the uncertainties are estimated. Systematic uncertainties for the signal shown in this table are obtained for $m_H = 160 \text{ GeV/c}^2$. Uncertainties are relative, in percent and are symmetric unless otherwise indicated. The uncertainties associated with the different background and signal processed are correlated within individual categories unless otherwise noted. In these special cases, the correlated uncertainties are shown in either italics or bold face text. Monte Carlo statistical uncertainties in each bin of each template are considered as independent systematic uncertainties. All uncertainty categories are treated as correlated between channels with the exception of the Missing Et Modeling uncertainty.

 $H \to W^+W^- \to \ell^{\pm}\ell'^{\mp}$ channels with no associated jet

Uncertainty Source	WW	WZ	ZZ	$tar{t}$	DY	$W\gamma$	$W+\mathrm{jet}(\mathrm{s})$	$gg \to H$
Cross Section	6.0	6.0	6.0	10.0	5.0			10.4
Scale (leptons)								2.5
Scale (jets)								4.6
PDF Model (leptons)	1.9	2.7	2.7	2.1	4.1			1.5
PDF Model (jets)								0.9
Higher-order Diagrams	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0		11.0		
Missing Et Modeling					21.0			
$W\gamma$ Scaling						12.0		
Jet Fake Rates (Low/High S/B)							21.5/27.7	
Jet Modeling	-1.0					-4.0		
MC Run Dependence	2.8							
Lepton ID Efficiencies	2.0	1.7	2.0	2.0	1.9			1.9
Trigger Efficiencies	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.0	3.4			3.3
Luminosity	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8			3.8
Luminosity Monitor	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4			4.4

 $H \to W^+W^- \to \ell^{\pm}\ell'^{\mp}$ channels with one associated jet

Uncertainty Source	WW	WZ	ZZ	$t ar{t}$	DY	$W\gamma$	$W+\mathrm{jet}(s)$	$gg \to H$	WH	ZH	VBF
Cross Section	6.0	6.0	6.0	10.0	5.0	·	- , ,	24.7	5.0	5.0	10.0
Scale (leptons)								2.8			
Scale (jets)								-5.1			
PDF Model (leptons)	1.9	2.7	2.7	2.1	4.1			1.7	1.2	0.9	2.2
PDF Model (jets)								-1.9			
Higher-order Diagrams	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0		11.0			10.0	10.0	10.0
Missing Et Modeling					30.0						
$W\gamma$ Scaling						12.0					
Jet Fake Rates (Low/High S/B)							22.2/31.5				
Jet Modeling	-1.0					15.0					
MC Run Dependence	1.0										
Lepton ID Efficiencies	2.0	2.0	2.2	1.8	2.0			1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9
Trigger Efficiencies	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.0	3.4			3.3	2.1	2.1	3.3
Luminosity	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8			3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8
Luminosity Monitor	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4			4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4

Uncertainty Source	WW	WZ	ZZ	$tar{t}$	DY	$W\gamma$	$W+\mathrm{jet}(s)$	gg o H	WH	ZH	VBF
Cross Section	6.0	6.0	6.0	10.0	5.0			67.9	5.0	5.0	10.0
Scale (leptons)								3.1			
Scale (jets)								-8.7			
PDF Model (leptons)	1.9	2.7	2.7	2.1	4.1			2.0	1.2	0.9	2.2
PDF Model (jets)								-2.8			
Higher-order Diagrams	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0		11.0			10.0	10.0	10.0
Missing Et Modeling					32.0						
$W\gamma$ Scaling						12.0					
Jet Fake Rates							27.1				
Jet Modeling	20.0					18.5					
b-tag veto				5.4							
MC Run Dependence	1.5										
Lepton ID Efficiencies	1.9	2.9	1.9	1.9	1.9			1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9
Trigger Efficiencies	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.0	3.4			3.3	2.1	2.1	3.3
Luminosity	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8			3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8
Luminosity Monitor	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4			4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4

TABLE XIII: Systematic uncertainties on the contributions for the $H \to W^+W^- \to \ell^\pm \ell'^\mp$ low- $M_{\ell\ell}$ channel with zero or one associated jets. This channel is sensitive to only gluon fusion production. Systematic uncertainties are listed by name (see the original references for a detailed explanation of their meaning and on how they are derived). Systematic uncertainties for H shown in this table are obtained for $m_H = 160 \text{ GeV/c}^2$. Uncertainties are relative, in percent and are symmetric unless otherwise indicated. The uncertainties associated with the different background and signal processed are correlated within individual categories unless otherwise noted. In these special cases, the correlated uncertainties are shown in either italics or bold face text. Monte Carlo statistical uncertainties in each bin of each template are considered as independent systematic uncertainties. All uncertainty categories are treated as correlated between channels with the exception of the Missing Et Modeling uncertainty.

CDF: $H \to W^+W^- \to \ell^{\pm}\ell^{\prime\mp}$ low $M_{\ell\ell}$ channel with zero or one associated jets

Uncertainty Source	WW	WZ	ZZ	t ar t	DY	$W\gamma$	$W+\mathrm{jet}(\mathrm{s})$	gg o I
Cross Section	6.0	6.0	6.0	10.0	5.0			14.3
Scale (leptons)								2.6
Scale (jets)								1.1
PDF Model (leptons)	1.9	2.7	2.7	2.1	4.1			1.7
PDF Model (jets)								0.3
Higher-order Diagrams	5.5	11.0	11.0	10.0				
Missing Et Modeling					22.0			
$W\gamma$ Scaling						12.0		
Jet Fake Rates							24.1	
Jet Modeling	-1.0							
MC Run Dependence	5.0							
Lepton ID Efficiencies	2.0	1.7	2.0	2.0	1.9			1.9
Trigger Efficiencies	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.0	3.4			3.3
Luminosity	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8			3.8
Luminosity Monitor	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4			4.4

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TABLE XIV: Systematic uncertainties on the contributions for the $WH \to WWW \to \ell'^{\pm}\ell'^{\pm}$ channel with one or more associated jets. This channel is sensitive to only WH and ZH production. Systematic uncertainties are listed by name (see the original references for a detailed explanation of their meaning and on how they are derived). Systematic uncertainties for H shown in this table are obtained for $m_H = 160 \text{ GeV/c}^2$. Uncertainties are relative, in percent and are symmetric unless otherwise indicated. The uncertainties associated with the different background and signal processed are correlated within individual categories unless otherwise noted. In these special cases, the correlated uncertainties are shown in either italics or bold face text. Monte Carlo statistical uncertainties in each bin of each template are considered as independent systematic uncertainties. All uncertainty categories are treated as correlated between channels with the exception of the Missing Et Modeling uncertainty.

$WH \rightarrow$	WWW	$\rightarrow \ell^{\pm}\ell'^{\pm}$	Analysis.
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Uncertainty Source	WW	WZ	ZZ	$t ar{t}$	DY	$W\gamma$	$W+\mathrm{jet(s)}$	WH	ZH
Cross Section	6.0	6.0	6.0	10.0	5.0			5.0	5.0
Scale (leptons)									
Scale (jets)									
PDF Model (leptons)	1.9	2.7	2.7	2.1	4.1			1.2	0.9
PDF Model (jets)									
Higher-order Diagrams	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0		11.0		10.0	10.0
Missing Et Modeling					17.0				
$W\gamma$ Scaling						12.0			
Jet Fake Rates							30.0		
Jet Modeling	3.0					16.0			
Charge Misassignment	16.5			16.5	16.5				
MC Run Dependence	1.0								
Lepton ID Efficiencies	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0			2.0	2.0
Trigger Efficiencies	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.0	3.4			2.1	2.1
Luminosity	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8	3.8			3.8	3.8
Luminosity Monitor	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4			4.4	4.4

TABLE XV: Observed and expected limits calculated with the Markov Chain method for the $gg \to H \to W^+W^- \to \text{leptons} + \not\!\!E_T$ channels, with the high-s/b and low-s/b analyses combined, for all three jet categories. The six opposite-sign channels and the one same-sign channel are combined. The observed and median expected limits are listed. Also listed are the limits from [19]. The limits are all given in units of $R = \sigma/\sigma_{SM}$, assuming SM branching fractions.

m_H	Observed	median	CDF 9887	CDF 9887
(GeV/c^2)	limit/SM	expected	observed	expected
100	118.1	78.5		
105	61.63	41.5		
110	35.30	24.6	38.76	24.72
115	15.76	12.4		
120	10.65	8.38	11.04	8.49
125	6.35	5.44		
130	5.01	4.22	5.04	4.28
135	4.03	3.14		
140	3.57	2.88	3.68	2.80
145	2.65	2.44	2.75	2.40
150	2.27	2.06	2.37	2.00
155	1.77	1.70	1.83	1.65
160	1.24	1.30	1.27	1.26
165	1.18	1.18	1.23	1.21
170	1.61	1.44	1.64	1.45
175	1.70	1.76	1.78	1.72
180	2.07	2.08	2.13	2.07
190	3.81	3.30	3.86	3.24
200	6.50	4.66	6.69	4.52

TABLE XVI: Observed and expected limits for all CDF SM Higgs boson search channels combined, using the Markov Chain method. The observed and median expected limits are listed, as well as $\pm 1, 2\sigma$ variation on the expected limits from statistical fluctuations assuming only background processes contribute. The limits are all given in units of $R = \sigma/\sigma_{SM}$, assuming SM branching fractions.

m_H	Observed	-2σ	-1σ	median	$+1\sigma$	$+2\sigma$
(GeV/c^2)	limit/SM	expected	expected	expected	expected	expected
100	2.58	1.02	1.38	2.01	2.81	3.92
105	2.62	1.10	1.45	2.09	2.91	4.11
110	2.88	1.10	1.54	2.14	3.06	4.43
115	3.12	1.23	1.65	2.38	3.38	4.74
120	3.37	1.37	1.92	2.72	3.87	5.43
125	3.93	1.50	2.01	2.84	4.05	5.89
130	3.80	1.49	2.02	2.92	4.16	5.80
135	3.80	1.33	1.83	2.66	3.81	5.22
140	3.53	1.24	1.75	2.51	3.60	4.95
145	2.66	1.15	1.58	2.21	3.19	4.61
150	2.26	1.02	1.38	1.92	2.86	4.05
155	1.75	0.87	1.17	1.70	2.39	3.39
160	1.23	0.69	0.90	1.31	1.84	2.44
165	1.18	0.65	0.87	1.19	1.73	2.38
170	1.60	0.77	1.03	1.45	2.06	2.97
175	1.68	0.94	1.25	1.76	2.52	3.46
180	2.09	1.08	1.52	2.08	2.95	4.22
190	3.75	1.82	2.37	3.31	4.74	6.89
200	6.52	2.38	3.36	4.66	6.64	9.30

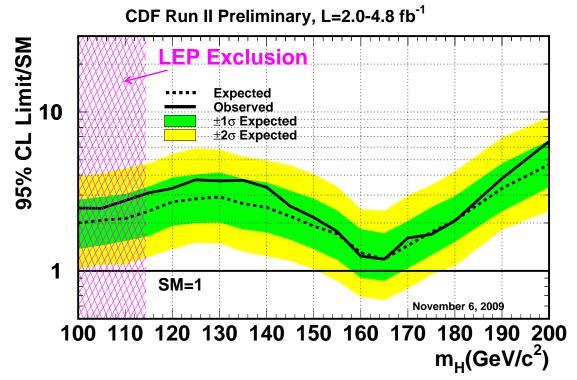


FIG. 1: The 95% CL upper limit on $R = \sigma/\sigma_{\rm SM}$, shown as a function of m_H , for the combination of all of CDF's SM Higgs search channels. The $\pm 1, 2\sigma$ bands on the expected limits are also shown, centered on the median expected limit.

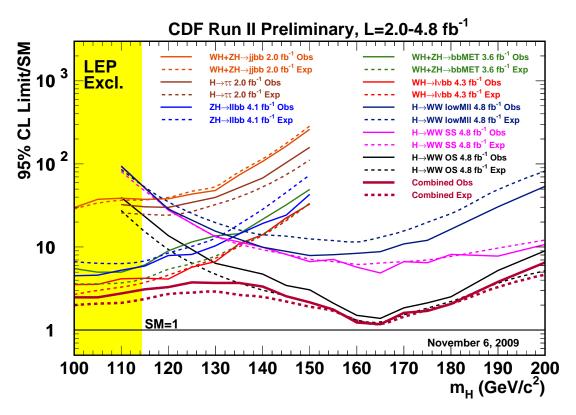


FIG. 2: The 95% CL upper limit on $R = \sigma/\sigma_{\rm SM}$, shown as a function of m_H , shown separately for each analysis and for the combination. Dashed lines indicate the median expected limits, and the solid lines show the observed limits. The individual analysis limits are those approved by the individual analyses, and the combined limit is documented in this note. The $WH \to \ell\nu b\bar{b}$ limits are the combination of the 2J and 3J channels, the results of which are listed in Table IV. The LEP bound $m_H > 114.4~{\rm GeV}/c^2$ is shown in yellow.

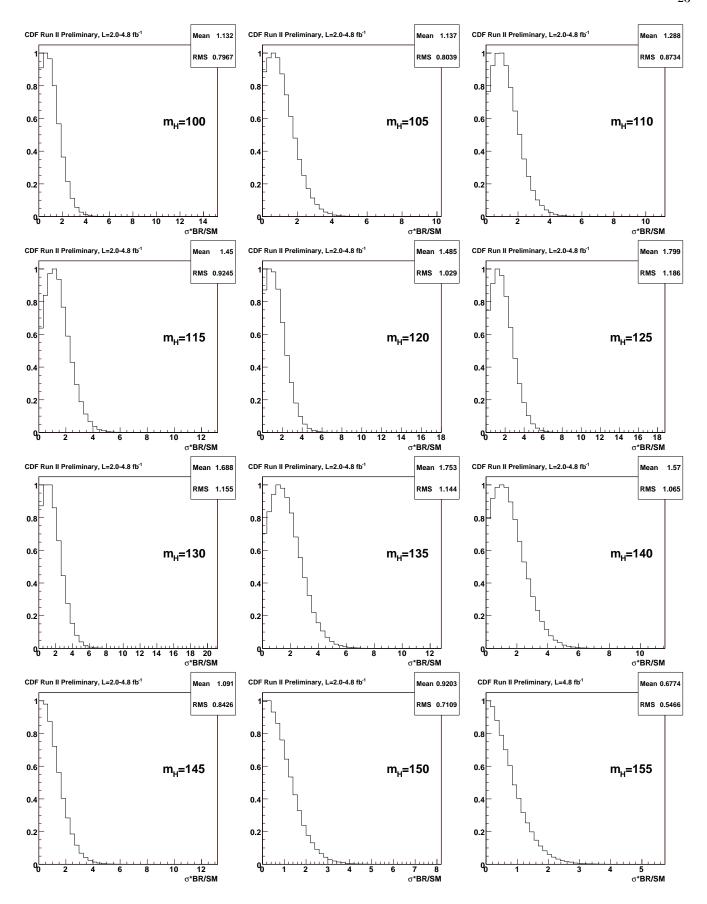


FIG. 3: The posterior densities and observed upper limits on $R = \sigma/\sigma_{\rm SM}$, shown separately shown for Higgs boson masses of 100 through 155 GeV/ c^2 .

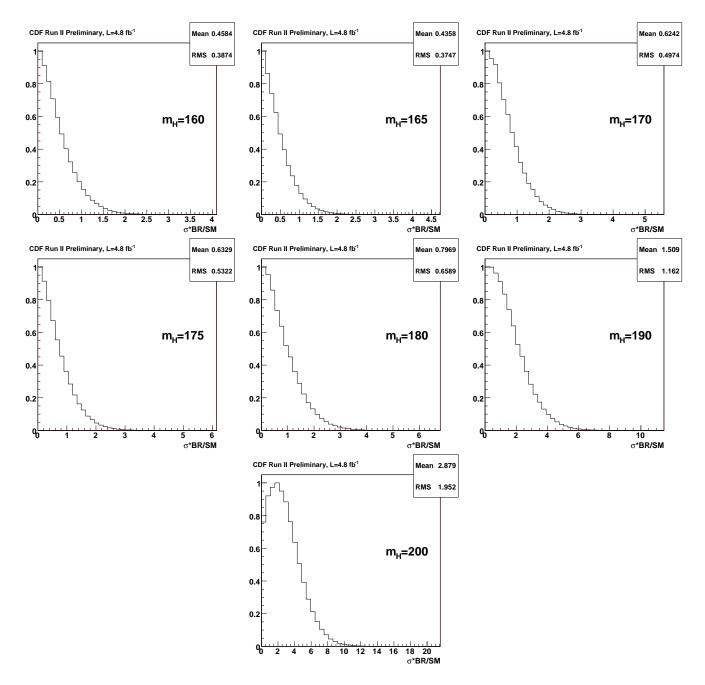


FIG. 4: The posterior densities and observed upper limits on $R = \sigma/\sigma_{\rm SM}$, shown separately shown for Higgs boson masses of 160 through 200 GeV/ c^2 .

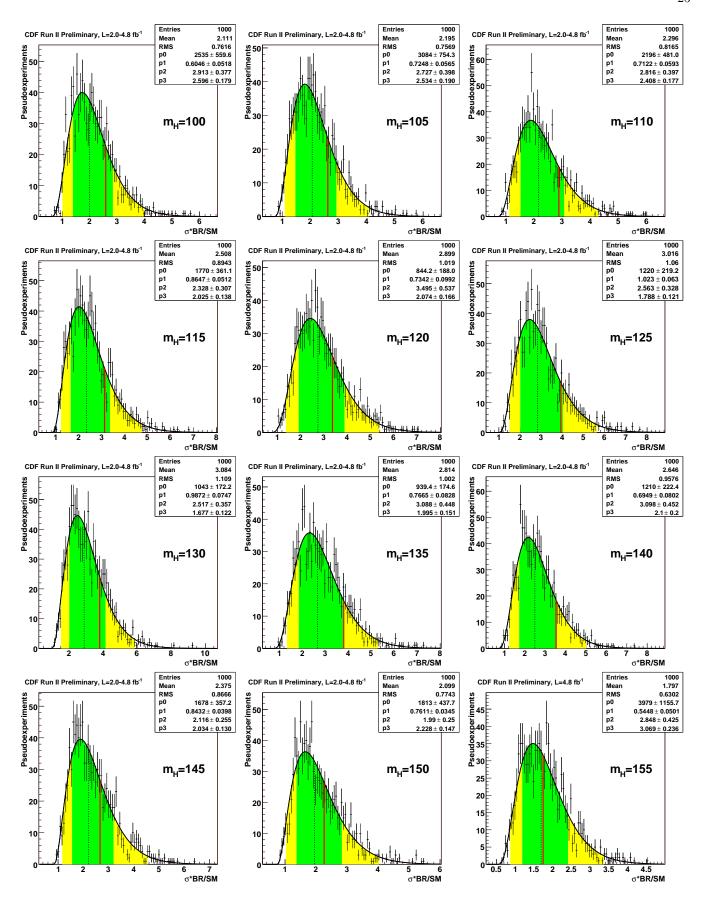


FIG. 5: The distributions of expected upper limits on $R = \sigma/\sigma_{\rm SM}$ assuming no signal is truly present in the data, separately shown for Higgs boson masses of 100 through 155 GeV/ c^2 .

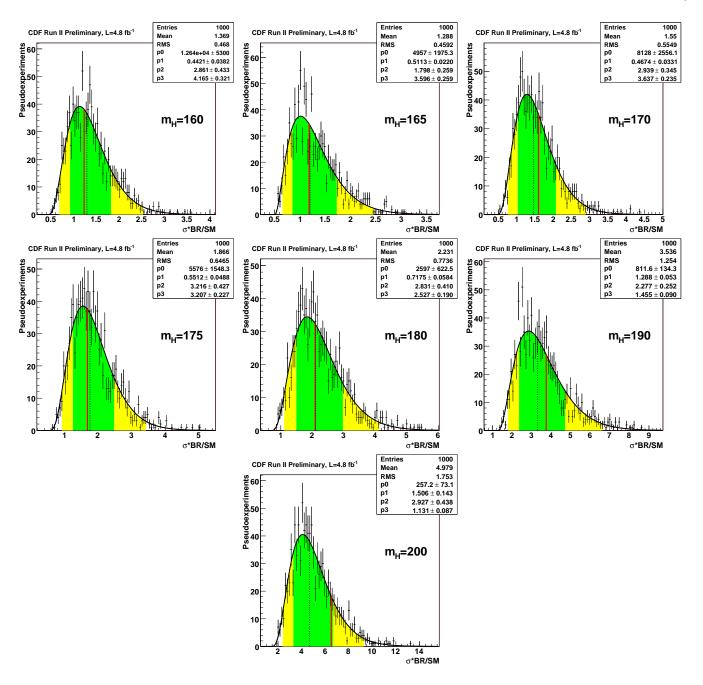


FIG. 6: The distributions of expected upper limits on $R = \sigma/\sigma_{\rm SM}$ assuming no signal is truly present in the data, separately shown for Higgs boson masses of 160 through 200 GeV/ c^2 .

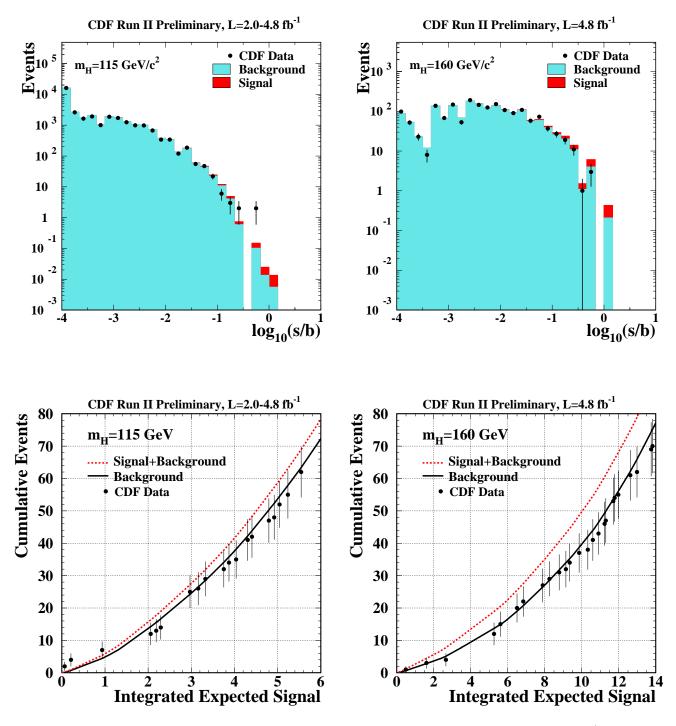
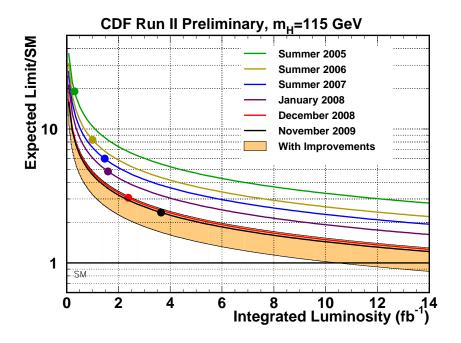


FIG. 7: Top plots: signal predictions, background predictions, and observed data, collected in bins sorted by s/b, for all channels added together. These are shown for m_H =115 and 160 GeV/ c^2 . Bottom plots: Integrated signal predictions, background predictions, and observed data, collected in bins sorted by s/b, for all channels added together. These are shown for m_H =115 and 160 GeV/ c^2 .



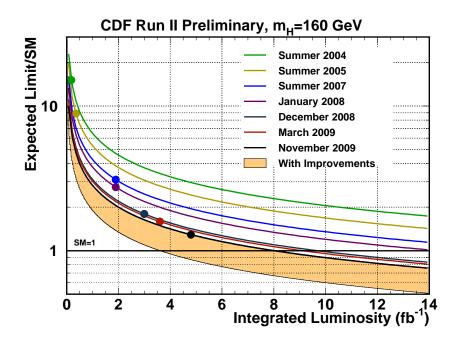
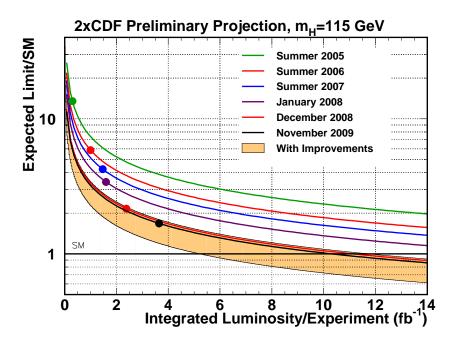


FIG. 8: Sensitivity projections and achieved sensitivities for the combined CDF Higgs boson searches, at $m_H = 115$ and $160 \text{ GeV}/c^2$. The curves are proportional to $1/\sqrt{\int L dt}$ extrapolations of the median expected limits, and each analysis update corresponds to a new point with a new curve. The light orange bands indicate ranges of possible improvements in performance, relative to the Summer 2007 sensitivity. The top of the light orange bands is a factor of 1.5 below the Summer 2007 curve, and the bottom of the light orange bands are a further factor of 1.5 below the top of the light orange bands.



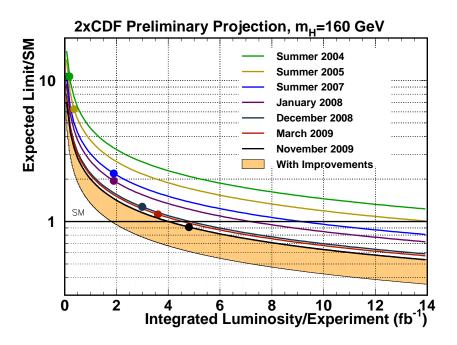
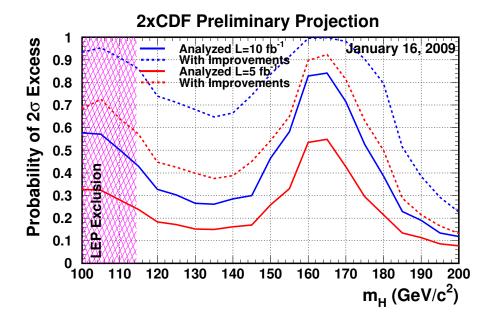


FIG. 9: Sensitivity projections and achieved sensitivities for the combined CDF Higgs boson searches, at $m_H = 115$ and $160 \text{ GeV}/c^2$, with a multiplier of $1/\sqrt{2}$ applied to the expected limits, to approximate the contribution of D0, assuming identical performance. The curves are proportional to $1/\sqrt{\int L dt}$ extrapolations of the median expected limits, and each analysis update corresponds to a new point with a new curve. The light orange bands indicate ranges of possible improvements in performance, relative to the Summer 2007 sensitivity. The top of the light orange bands is a factor of 1.5 below the Summer 2007 curve, and the bottom of the light orange bands are a further factor of 1.5 below the top of the light orange bands. The points represent CDF's achieved sensitivities, where the expected limits have been divided by $\sqrt{2}$.



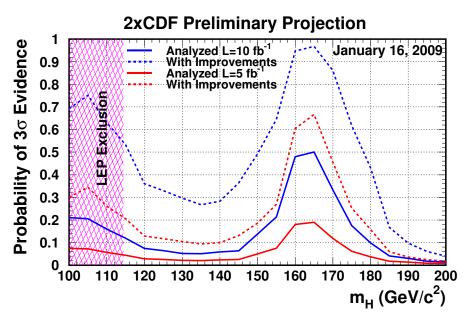


FIG. 10: Sensitivity projections as functions of m_H . These graphs show the chances of observing a 2σ excess (top) or a 3σ evidence (bottom), as functions of m_H , assuming a Higgs boson is present with production cross sections and decays at their SM values. CDF and D0 are assumed to contribute equally. The solid lines correspond to current performance as described in this note, and the dashed lines correspond to a performance level which corresponds to the bottom of the light orange bands in Figure 9. No account is taken of the data already collected and analyzed; existing excesses and deficits in the data do not affect these sensitivity projections. Two luminosity scenarios are considered: 5 fb⁻¹ of analyzed luminosity per experiment (red lines) and 10 fb⁻¹ of analyzed luminosity per experiment (blue lines).